SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY : Are the Government aware of the fact that previous to 1958 as soon as a higher grade teacher passed the secondary grade test, he was assured of the post even from the very next day of his passing the examination?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Then we found the pupil's cost of education had risen. Previously even in places where a higher grade teacher would do, they were appointing a secondary grade teacher. After all, we have to work within the finances available.

SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY : Even as per the statement of the Hon. the Minister for Finance and Education yesterday that the quality of education should decidedly improve by appointing better qualified teachers in lower classes, will the Government consider the question that at least in respect of aided elementary schools, the same policy that was followed previous to 1958 should be continued?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : The policy of the Government is that there should be at least one secondary grade trained teacher in a lower elementary school. I do not think we can go beyond that and have all the teachers as secondary grade trained teachers. That would push up the cost of education.

SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY : The cost was already there. I should like to know why the Government should suddenly step in in respect of aided elementary schools. The previous policy was there, till 1959-60. Why did the Government suddenly revise it?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : I have already explained the difficulty. I do not want to argue with the hon. Member.

Youth Centres

* 126 Q.—SRI V. V. RAMASWAMI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any scheme has been sanctioned to start Youth Centres in the State; and

(*b*) if so, the particulars thereof?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : (*a*) No, Sir.

(*b*) Does not arise.

SRI V. V. RAMASWAMI : இந்த மாநிலத்தில் கிராம வளர்ச்சிப் பயிற்சி நிலையங்கள் இருக்கின்றனவா? அதைச் சார்ந்த இளைஞர்களுக்கு உதவி அளிக்கும் அளவில் ரூ. 15,500 மானியம் வழங்க இந்த அரசாங்கம் உத்தேசித்திருக்கிறதா என்பதை அறிய விரும்புகிறேன்.

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : கம்யூனிட்டி டெவலப்மெண்டு சம்பந்தப்பட்ட அமைச்சருக்கு இந்தக் கேள்வியைப் போட்டால், அவர் அதற்குப் பதில் சொல்லலாம்.